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1. Special authorization is not needed to travel within the interior of Rumania even though periodic checks are carried on frequently to establish identity. The only document which is required to be carried at all times is the "Buletin de Identitate", for civilians, and the "Livret Militar" for the military. Controls by the "Militia" and the "Securitate" were made periodically on all rail lines and other modes of transportation.

50X1 2. as a passenger on the Arlberg Express, there were a total of five persons on board - two Rumanians, a US diplomat and two Italian diplomatic couriers. The train was searched thoroughly, both inside and outside, for about two hours. During this time the passengers were not permitted to leave the train under any circumstances. The train was guarded heavily by the border guards "Granicieri" and the "Militia". The conductor who joined the train in Bucharest was replaced by another conductor as the train crossed 50 yards inside the Hungarian border. A new conductor took over at that point and continued on to Budapest. I assume that the train conductor within Rumania returned back across the border and possibly joined an eastbound train later.

3. The trains within Rumania are being replaced by Soviet-built cars and are brand new and travel faster than the old trains. As of 1 Apr 54 the third class on all trains is to be eliminated, thereby leaving only first and second class cars. Soviet-built, two-car trains, are also being introduced between larger towns.

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